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Sent: 5/2/2017 2:41:55 PM

**To**: Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

CC: Gray, Linda [gray.linda@epa.gov]; Carpenter, Wesley [Carpenter.Wesley@epa.gov]; Hart, Debbi

[Hart.Debbi@epa.gov]; Parker, Gary [parker.gary@epa.gov]; Kuhns, Jason [Kuhns.Jason@epa.gov]

BCC: Westenberger, Andrea [Westenberger.Andrea@epa.gov]

Subject: Questions from the Regions on V-V

Importance: High

#### Donna,

I spoke with Andrea Westenberger this morning because the regions had a couple of questions:

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#### Thanks.

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**Sent**: 6/12/2017 12:51:02 PM

To: Mick, David [Mick.David@epa.gov]; Bonner, Jerome [Bonner.Jerome@epa.gov]; Young, Debbie

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Abdullah [cortez.abdullah@epa.gov]; RHRO [RHRO@epa.gov]; OHR PMOs [OHR PMOs@epa.gov]

CC: Stanton, Rachel [stanton.rachel@epa.gov]; Parker, Gary [parker.gary@epa.gov]

**Subject**: Temporary Hold on all Reorganizations

### Greetings Everyone,

There is a temporary suspension of all reorganizations effectively immediately due to VERA/VSIP for EPA. The suspension will continue through the current VERA VSIP period of September 30, 2017. If there is a change to the current suspension, all customers will be notified. When the suspension is lifted, all existing reorganizations will continue where it had left off. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this time.

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From: Lesperance, Twanna Sent: Wed 5/17/2017 9:36:43 PM

Subject: RE: communicating with staff around V/V proposals?

Thanks Ruth!

### Twanna Lesperance, Assistant Director, AMS, PMO

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From: Martinez, Gwendolyn
Sent: Mon 7/10/2017 2:41:40 PM
Subject: RE: PMO monthly brown bag

I have a conflict but will try to make it if I can.

From: Smith, Susan

Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 10:05 AM

**To:** Monroe, Scott < Monroe. Scott@epa.gov>; Torrez, Alfredo < Torrez. Alfredo@epa.gov>;

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I'm available and the room is, too. I'll go ahead and move it to today.

Scott

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Do you all want to get together today instead of Wednesday?? Just wondering about some of the V/V mechanics since this is my first time going through this.

### Susan

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Subject: PMO monthly brown bag

When: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 12:00 PM-1:00 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US &

Canada).

Where: DCRoomARN1332Poly/DC-ARN-OAR

This is an open agenda for HQ Program Management Officials. Feel free to suggest topics before or during the meeting.

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The same for R7. Awaiting further approval and confirmation.

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To: Barber, Anthony; RHRO; OHR PMOs

**Subject:** RE: communicating with staff around V/V proposals?

OEI is not planning to share the proposal until it is officially approved. But I'm interested in hearing what others are doing.

Regards!

Marilyn A. Braxton

202-564-8192

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Website: OEI's HR Corner

From: Barber, Anthony

Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 5:32 PM

To: RHRO < RHRO@epa.gov >; OHR PMOs < OHR PMOs@epa.gov >

**Subject:** communicating with staff around V/V proposals?

Does anyone have an idea of when our collective proposals for VERA/VSIP should/will be available to our rank and file employees? Not clear to me. Are folks planning to share what is sent in on 5/24? Any thought of sharing with staff at the 6/30 point, or sooner? Just thinking about communications strategies and timing.

Anthony L. Barber, PE Acting Human Capital Officer and Manager, HRF Unit

Director, Oregon Operations Office US EPA Region 10 805 SW Broadway, Suite 500 Portland, OR 97205

503-326-6890 (phone) 503-326-3399 (fax) barber.anthony@epa.gov



#### Message

From: Petrole, Maryann [Petrole.Maryann@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 6/21/2017 6:39:28 PM

To: Jablonski, Janice [jablonski.janice@epa.gov]

Subject: FW: OARM Retirement VERA VSIP Eligibility

Attachments: OARM Retirement VERA VSIP Eligibility.xlsx

### Jan,

This is what I used for the V/V drill. After talking with you I believe to ensure that all the eligible people are aware that when we get final OPM/OMB approval that the notice/memo goes out to everybody Just to be safe. Thank you for your continued support.

#### Maryann

From: Showman, John

Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 2:34 PM

To: Noga, Vaughn <Noga.Vaughn@EPA.GOV>; Petrole, Maryann <Petrole.Maryann@epa.gov>; Carter, Rick <Carter.Rick@epa.gov>; Helm, Arron <Helm.Arron@epa.gov>; Polk, Denise <Polk.Denise@epa.gov>; Neal, Kerry <neal.kerry@epa.gov>; Patrick, Kimberly <Patrick.Kimberly@epa.gov>; Legare, Pamela <Legare.Pamela@epa.gov>; Gray, Linda <gray.linda@epa.gov>; Carpenter, Wesley <Carpenter.Wesley@epa.gov>; Hitchens, Lynnann <neacher.Hitchens.lynnann@epa.gov>; Hardy, Michael <Hardy.Michael@epa.gov>; Vizian, Donna <Vizian.Donna@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Coogan, Daniel < Coogan. Daniel@epa.gov> **Subject:** OARM Retirement VERA VSIP Eligibility

Attached is a detailed listing by OARM Organization of employees and their eligibility for retirement, VERA, and VSIP. This is an OARM all report so this is for your eyes only. The order of information is as follows:

IO; OROM, EAB, ALJ, OA, CINN, OHR, RTP, OAM, OGD

To: Jablonski, Janice[jablonski.janice@epa.gov]

Cc: Patel, Aster[Patel.Aster@epa.gov]

From: Coomber, Robert

**Sent:** Wed 6/21/2017 6:03:51 PM

Subject: RE: OA All Hands, Tuesday, June 27, 2017 930-1000 B-200 WJC-W

Thanks. Is there a calendar invite?

Robert D. Coomber

Senior Labor Attorney

Labor and Employee Relations Division

Desk Phone: (202) 564-0955

Cell Phone: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

coomber.robert@epa.gov

From: Jablonski, Janice

Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 1:59 PM

To: Coomber, Robert < coomber.robert@epa.gov>

Subject: Fwd: OA All Hands, Tuesday, June 27, 2017 930-1000 B-200 WJC-W

OA had scheduled an all-hands on V/V. Please invite the Union. Thanks.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Petrole, Maryann" < Petrole. Maryann@epa.gov>

Date: June 21, 2017 at 1:44:39 PM EDT

To: "Jablonski, Janice" < jablonski.janice@epa.gov>

Subject: OA All Hands, Tuesday, June 27, 2017 930-1000 B-200 WJC-W

Thank you for letting LER know. All of our V/Vs are AFGE. The FMSD area.

Maryann Petrole, Deputy Director

Office of Administration

EPA/OARM/OA

WJC-North, 5340-X

202-564-4938 (work)

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To: Jablonski, Janice[jablonski.janice@epa.gov]

From: Cross, Melinda

**Sent:** Thur 6/1/2017 8:18:59 PM

Subject: FW: Agency's Workforce Shaping through Voluntary Early Retirement and Separation

Incentive Payment Authorities (VERA/VSIP)

Have you been working on this with your fellow OARM folks?

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Melinda D. Cross
Policy Planning & Evaluation Division (PPED)

Office of Customer Advocacy, Policy & Portfolio Management (OCAPPM) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (202) 564-1384 (phone)

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From: MassMailer

**Sent:** Thursday, June 01, 2017 3:20 PM **To:** MassMailer <massmailer@epa.gov>

Subject: Agency's Workforce Shaping through Voluntary Early Retirement and Separation

Incentive Payment Authorities (VERA/VSIP)



**SUBJECT:** Agency's Workforce Shaping through Voluntary Early Retirement and Separation Incentive Payment Authorities (VERA/VSIP)

FROM: Mike Flynn

Acting Deputy Administrator

TO: All EPA Employees

Dear Colleagues,

In my April 17, 2017 memo to EPA senior management, I announced that we were beginning steps to initiate an early out/buyout program with a goal to complete the program by the end of September 2017. I wanted to give you an update on the current status and upcoming steps on the program.

Voluntary Early Retirement Authority (VERA) and Voluntary Separation Incentive Payment Authority (VSIP), often referred to as early outs and buy outs, can help us realign our workforce to meet changing mission requirements and move toward new models of work. The authority encourages voluntary separations and helps the Agency complete workforce restructuring with minimal disruption to the workforce.

### **Current Status**

The Agency has begun a workforce reshaping effort in which headquarters and regional offices are reviewing their current organizations and analyzing where they can achieve efficiencies. As a result of these analyses, the Agency is planning to use VERA/VSIP where it makes sense and where it is aligned with these efficiencies. We will be working with the Agency's labor unions as we go through the VERA/VSIP process.

Headquarters and regional offices currently are working on VERA/VISIP business cases for their respective organizations. Our Office of Human Resources staff will review and consolidate these business cases into one agency-wide business case which will be submitted to the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval.

In developing our VERA/VSIP business case, we are considering multiple factors including increasing supervisor to staff ratio; consolidating support functions; restructuring or reducing highly graded supervisory and non-supervisory positions; focusing on core business functions, programmatic and STEM priorities, and consolidating and streamlining programs and functions. Details on the selection criteria for employees in the pool are still being worked out.

### Next Steps

We plan to submit our agency-wide VERA/VSIP business case to OPM/OMB for approval later in June, and will work closely with OPM/OMB to help expedite the review process. We will provide you information on what positions will be included in the VERA/VSIP program as soon as possible, likely sometime in July. We expect a limited number of employees will be offered VERA/VSIP, and those who accept a VERA/VSIP offer must leave the Agency by early September 2017.

Please look for additional VERA/VSIP information from your organization's senior leadership soon. In the interim, I have provided you with some helpful links below.

Many thanks for your continued commitment to EPA's mission and public service. I am very proud to work alongside you.

#### OPM' S VERA/VSIP links:

http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/workforce-restructuring/voluntary-early-retirement-authority/

http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/workforce-restructuring/voluntary-separation-incentive-payments/

EPA's VERA/VSIP link: <a href="http://intranet.epa.gov/policy/buyouts/index.htm">http://intranet.epa.gov/policy/buyouts/index.htm</a>

### Message

From: Lemley, Lauren [Lemley.Lauren@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 7/7/2017 3:02:40 PM

**To**: Jablonski, Janice [jablonski.janice@epa.gov]

Subject: V/V Email List
Attachments: V-V Emails.docx

Email list is attached all in the targeted pool are accounted for. Working on tables now.

Lauren Lemley Office of Resources, Operations and Management, OARM 202-564-1290 To: Jablonski, Janice[jablonski.janice@epa.gov]

From: Jefferson, Gayle

**Sent:** Wed 6/21/2017 2:43:49 PM

Subject: FMSD

Can you send me the list of FMSD/OA names that will be offered V/V?

Thank you.

Gayle

Gayle L. Jefferson

Director

Facilities Management and Services Division (FMSD)

OA/OARM/USEPA

Main Number: (202)564-2030

Direct Number: (202)564-1630

Cell Number:

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To: Jablonski, Janice[jablonski.janice@epa.gov] From: Hembrey, Cheri Fri 7/7/2017 2:18:51 PM Sent: Subject: RE: URGENT - Response Needed by Noon Monday, July 10, 2017 Hi Jan, OHR does not have any staff on extended leave. We do, however, have a few on extended or full-time Telework, see below. If you need the addresses of the employees whom are teleworking, please let me know. **Eddie Gonzales** Lisa Matluk Wayne White Kristen Arel Have a great day, Cheri' M. Hembrey, Director EPA OHR/PMS 202/564-6223 Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy (mobile) hembrey.cheri@epa.gov

Please excuse the large type, as it is for my benefit. Thank you.

From: Jablonski, Janice

Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 7:18 AM

**To:** Collard, Erin < Collard.Erin@epa.gov>; Scola, Jennifer < Scola.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Hembrey, Cheri@epa.gov>; Collins, BJ < Collins.BJ@epa.gov>; Burnett-Bakr,

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Jan Jablonski, Director

Administrative Operations and Stewardship Division

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To: Jablonski, Janice[jablonski.janice@epa.gov]

From: Fletcher, Linda

**Sent:** Fri 7/7/2017 1:42:57 PM

Subject: RE: URGENT - Response Needed by Noon Monday, July 10, 2017

Welcome.

Linda M. Fletcher, Program Analyst

Office of Grants and Debarment

Resources Management Staff

(202) 564-1901



From: Jablonski, Janice

Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 9:16 AM

**To:** Fletcher, Linda < Fletcher. Linda @epa.gov>

Cc: Polk, Denise < Polk.Denise@epa.gov>; Neal, Kerry < neal.kerry@epa.gov> Subject: RE: URGENT - Response Needed by Noon Monday, July 10, 2017

Thanks Linda!

Jan Jablonski, Director

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From: Fletcher, Linda

**Sent:** Friday, July 07, 2017 9:10 AM

To: Jablonski, Janice < jablonski.janice@epa.gov >

Cc: Polk, Denise < Polk. Denise@epa.gov >; Neal, Kerry < neal.kerry@epa.gov > Subject: RE: URGENT - Response Needed by Noon Monday, July 10, 2017

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**Sent**: 7/7/2017 1:09:36 PM

**To**: Jablonski, Janice [jablonski.janice@epa.gov]

CC: Polk, Denise [Polk.Denise@epa.gov]; Neal, Kerry [neal.kerry@epa.gov]

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To: Jablonski, Janice[jablonski.janice@epa.gov]

From: Vaughan, Pat

**Sent:** Tue 4/18/2017 2:57:19 PM

Subject: FW: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

### Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

**FYI** 

Pat Vaughan

Director, Human Resources Division

ORD/Office of Administrative and Research Support

919-541-4912

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**OARS** Website

From: Vizian, Donna

Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 5:01 PM

**To:** 2017HQfirstassistants < 2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov >; 2017Regionfirstassistants

<2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov>

Cc: DAA-Career <<u>DAACareer@epa.gov</u>>; DRA <<u>DRA@epa.gov</u>>; ARA <<u>ARA@epa.gov</u>>;

Gray, Linda <gray.linda@epa.gov>; Hart, Debbi <Hart.Debbi@epa.gov>

Subject: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

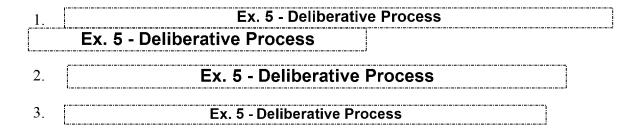
Importance: High

HI Everyone,

Following up on Mike's message, attached is the material to guide you through your workforce reshaping submission which should focus on your current organizational structure and achieving efficiencies. As we agreed, the first step will be for each NPM to work with the lead region to draft a proposal for their programs where appropriate. The submission should be no more than one page and sent to Debbi Hart with a copy to me by May 5<sup>th</sup>. OARM will compile this information and schedule a meeting for us to discuss. This does not prohibit a reshaping that is specific to your office.

### Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

Your office submittals will be compiled into one, agency-level VERA/VSIP proposal that will ultimately be submitted to OPM and OMB for review and approval. Your program or regional office must provide the following documentation to Debbi Hart, director, Policy, Planning and Training Divisions, no later than May 24, 2017.



Should you have questions, please contact me at (202) 564-4600 or Linda Gray, director, Office of Human Resources, at (202) 564-4606. Please have your staff contact Debbi Hart or Loretta Hunt.

Best,

### Donna

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6. VERA and VSIP Guides from OPM – provide additional details on the two authorities.

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#### Message

From: Shanahan, Katherine [Shanahan.Katherine@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 6/30/2017 2:13:40 PM

To: Pastalove, Barbara [Pastalove.Barbara@epa.gov]; Rubel, Robert [Rubel.Robert@epa.gov]; McManus, Catharine

[mcmanus.catharine@epa.gov]; Burrows, Eileen [BURROWS.EILEEN@EPA.GOV]; Schwartz, Barbara

[Schwartz.Barbara@epa.gov]; Sanders, Amy [Sanders.Amy@epa.gov]; Breneman, Sara [breneman.sara@epa.gov];

Marlinga, Richard [marlinga.richard@epa.gov]; Rodriguez, Ray [Rodriguez.Ray@epa.gov]; Hill, Troy

[Hill.Troy@epa.gov]; Price, Patricia [price.patricia@epa.gov]; Fowler, Joshua [Fowler.Joshua@epa.gov]; Lane, Vicki [Lane.Vicki@epa.gov]; Barber, Anthony [Barber.Anthony@epa.gov]; OCFO-SBO [OCFOSBO@epa.gov]; OCFO-Regional-Comptroller [OCFORegionalComptroller@epa.gov]; OHR PMOs [OHR\_PMOs@epa.gov]; Terris, Carol [Terris.Carol@epa.gov]; Remmers, Janet [Remmers.Janet@epa.gov]; Baden, Beth [Baden.Beth@epa.gov]; Klinker,

Wendy [Klinker.Wendy@epa.gov]; Ajabi, Laurel [Ajabi.Laurel@epa.gov]

CC: McDonald, James [McDonald.James@epa.gov]; Kenyon, Michael [Kenyon.Michael@epa.gov]

**Subject**: V/V Budget Tables update information **Attachments**: v and v budget information tables v3.docx

### Good Morning Everyone

As Janet and Carol promised on yesterday's conference calls, please find attached the V/V Budget Tables update. In addition to the table template, Janet has included some Best Practices and clarified that the calculations should be based on the

### Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

If you were unable to make the call and are unclear as to your next steps, please feel free to call me at 617-918-1619 and I will explain what was discussed during the call. If you have specific finance questions, Janet Remmers at 202-564-0548, is taking the lead for OCFO on the budget portion of the V/V submission.

Please Note: I went through every message that indicated yesterday's meeting invite had been forwarded. I typed in the names individually and while some added to the Address list, most did not. It appears that their names already appeared on either the Budget Officer Mail list or the Comptroller Mail list. Thus, if you do not see their individual name above, rest assured they were not missed!

#### Thank you

Kathie Shanahan Human Resource Officer EPA New England Region 1 617-918-1619 To: Jablonski, Janice[jablonski.janice@epa.gov]; Lemley, Lauren[Lemley.Lauren@epa.gov]

From: Coogan, Daniel

**Sent:** Fri 6/30/2017 1:51:07 PM

**Subject:** RE: V/V Budget Tables update information

Is there an email list for the PMOs and the RHROs? Apparently, the Region 1 RHRO hasn't sent what Janet is sending out to the budget community out to the HR community.

Dan

Director, Resources, Analysis and Planning Division

Office of Resources, Operations and Management, OARM

o: 202-564-1862

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SEE – PHS – OARM Budget – RAPD

From: Jablonski, Janice

**Sent:** Friday, June 30, 2017 8:46 AM

**To:** Coogan, Daniel < Coogan. Daniel @epa.gov >; Lemley, Lauren < Lemley. Lauren @epa.gov >

Cc: Hardy, Michael <Hardy.Michael@epa.gov>; Hitchens, Lynnann

<a href="mailto:</a> <a href="mailto:hitchens.lynnann@epa.gov">hitchens.lynnann@epa.gov</a>

Subject: Re: V/V Budget Tables update information

Thanks Dan. Lauren - make ours as close as you can without spending too much time on it (no more than an hour). If Lynnann is ok with it, send it to Carol T and Janet and copy all of us. Lynnann is supposed to be in today. Thanks.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 30, 2017, at 8:21 AM, Coogan, Daniel < Coogan. Daniel @epa.gov > wrote:

I think our footnoting format works but here's more detail from OB . . .

Dan

Director, Resources, Analysis and Planning Division

Office of Resources, Operations and Management, OARM

o: 202-564-1862

c: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

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From: Remmers, Janet

Sent: Friday, June 30, 2017 8:21 AM

To: OCFO-SBO < OCFOSBO@epa.gov >; OCFO-Regional-Comptroller

<<u>OCFORegionalComptroller@epa.gov</u>>

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From: Remmers, Janet

aws: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2017 6:42 PM

To: OCFO-SBO < OCFOSBO@epa.gov >; OCFO-Regional-Comptroller

< OCFORegionalComptroller@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: V/V Budget Tables update information

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Janet Remmers, Ph.D.		
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Janet Remmers, Ph.D.

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**Sent:** Fri 6/30/2017 12:21:42 PM

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Jablonski, Janice[jablonski.janice@epa.gov]; Lemley, Lauren[Lemley.Lauren@epa.gov] To:

From: Coogan, Daniel

Fri 6/30/2017 12:06:19 PM Sent:

Subject: FW: V/V Budget Tables update information

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I think we're in good shape on all of these. **Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process** 

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Dan

Director, Resources, Analysis and Planning Division

Office of Resources, Operations and Management, OARM

o: 202-564-1862

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SEE – PHS – OARM Budget – RAPD

From: Remmers, Janet

Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 6:42 PM

To: OCFO-SBO <OCFOSBO@epa.gov>; OCFO-Regional-Comptroller

<OCFORegionalComptroller@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: V/V Budget Tables update information

Here is the information for updating the V/V budget tables that we talked about on the conf call today.

Janet Remmers, Ph.D.

**RPROS** 

Office of Budget/OCFO

Mail code: 2732A

office: 202-564-0548

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From: Remmers, Janet

Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 6:18 PM

To: Shanahan, Katherine < Shanahan. Katherine@epa.gov >

Cc: Terris, Carol < Terris. Carol@epa.gov >; Beth Baden (Baden.Beth@epa.gov)

<Baden.Beth@epa.gov>

**Subject:** V/V Budget Tables update information

Kathie,

Attached is the information for the V/V Budget Tables updates.

Thank you for getting this out to the Budget, PMO and HRO communities that were on the conference call today.

Janet Remmers, Ph.D.

**RPROS** 

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#### Message

From: Lemley, Lauren [Lemley.Lauren@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 6/29/2017 8:54:35 PM

To: Jablonski, Janice [jablonski.janice@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Updated V/V budget information

Attachments: OARM V-V Budget Info Tables 6.29.2017\_DC.docx

FYI, Dan made the change.

Lauren Lemley

Office of Resources, Operations and Management, OARM

202-564-1290

From: Coogan, Daniel

Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 4:53 PM

To: Hitchens, Lynnann < hitchens.lynnann@epa.gov>

Cc: Hardy, Michael < Hardy. Michael @epa.gov>; Lemley, Lauren < Lemley. Lauren @epa.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Updated V/V budget information

I made two minor changes!

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Dan

Director, Resources, Analysis and Planning Division

Office of Resources, Operations and Management, OARM

o: 202-564-1862 c: 202-355-4943

SEE - PHS - OARM Budget - RAPD

From: Hitchens, Lynnann

Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 4:39 PM

To: Coogan, Daniel < Coogan. Daniel @epa.gov>

Cc: Hardy, Michael < Hardy. Michael@epa.gov>; Lemley, Lauren < Lemley. Lauren@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Updated V/V budget information

Hi - do you want to check this?

Lynnann Hitchens

Acting Director, Office of Resources, Operations and Management

Office of Administration and Resources Management

P: 202-564-3184 M: 202-617-0738

From: Lemley, Lauren

Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 4:37 PM

To: Hitchens, Lynnann <hitchens.lynnann@epa.gov>; Jablonski, Janice <jablonski, janice@epa.gov>; Hardy, Michael

<hacklight statements | <h style="color: blue;">Hardy.Michael@epa.gov>

**Subject:** Updated V/V budget information

Hi,

Please see the updated budget information based on the call and our conversation earlier. I tried to put footnotes, so that you would know where my math came from. Thanks!

Lauren Lemley Office of Resources, Operations and Management, OARM 202-564-1290 From: Jablonski, Janice [jablonski.janice@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 6/2/2017 1:41:35 PM

**To**: Cross, Melinda [Cross.Melinda@epa.gov]

Subject: Re: Agency's Workforce Shaping through Voluntary Early Retirement and Separation Incentive Payment Authorities

(VERA/VSIP)

Everyone is working on it.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 1, 2017, at 4:19 PM, Cross, Melinda <Cross.Melinda@epa.gov> wrote:

Have you been working on this with your fellow OARM folks?

Melinda D. Cross
Policy Planning & Evaluation Division (PPED)
Office of Customer Advocacy, Policy & Portfolio Management (OCAPPM)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
(202) 564-1384 (phone)
(202) 697-1571 (BB)

From: MassMailer

**Sent:** Thursday, June 01, 2017 3:20 PM **To:** MassMailer <<u>massmailer@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: Agency's Workforce Shaping through Voluntary Early Retirement and Separation Incentive

Payment Authorities (VERA/VSIP)

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**SUBJECT:** Agency's Workforce Shaping through Voluntary Early Retirement and Separation

Incentive Payment Authorities (VERA/VSIP)

FROM: Mike Flynn

Acting Deputy Administrator

TO: All EPA Employees

Dear Colleagues,

In my April 17, 2017 memo to EPA senior management, I announced that we were beginning steps to initiate an early out/buyout program with a goal to complete the program by the end of September 2017. I wanted to give you an update on the current status and upcoming steps on the program.

Voluntary Early Retirement Authority (VERA) and Voluntary Separation Incentive Payment Authority (VSIP), often referred to as early outs and buy outs, can help us realign our workforce to meet changing mission requirements and move toward new models of work. The authority encourages voluntary

separations and helps the Agency complete workforce restructuring with minimal disruption to the workforce.

#### **Current Status**

The Agency has begun a workforce reshaping effort in which headquarters and regional offices are reviewing their current organizations and analyzing where they can achieve efficiencies. As a result of these analyses, the Agency is planning to use VERA/VSIP where it makes sense and where it is aligned with these efficiencies. We will be working with the Agency's labor unions as we go through the VERA/VSIP process.

Headquarters and regional offices currently are working on VERA/VISIP business cases for their respective organizations. Our Office of Human Resources staff will review and consolidate these business cases into one agency-wide business case which will be submitted to the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval.

In developing our VERA/VSIP business case, we are considering multiple factors including increasing supervisor to staff ratio; consolidating support functions; restructuring or reducing highly graded supervisory and non-supervisory positions; focusing on core business functions, programmatic and STEM priorities, and consolidating and streamlining programs and functions. Details on the selection criteria for employees in the pool are still being worked out.

### **Next Steps**

We plan to submit our agency-wide VERA/VSIP business case to OPM/OMB for approval later in June, and will work closely with OPM/OMB to help expedite the review process. We will provide you information on what positions will be included in the VERA/VSIP program as soon as possible, likely sometime in July. We expect a limited number of employees will be offered VERA/VSIP, and those who accept a VERA/VSIP offer must leave the Agency by early September 2017.

Please look for additional VERA/VSIP information from your organization's senior leadership soon. In the interim, I have provided you with some helpful links below.

Many thanks for your continued commitment to EPA's mission and public service. I am very proud to work alongside you.

### OPM' S VERA/VSIP links:

http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/workforce-restructuring/voluntary-early-retirement-authority/

http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/workforce-restructuring/voluntary-separation-incentive-payments/

EPA's VERA/VSIP link: http://intranet.epa.gov/policy/buyouts/index.htm

#### Message

From: Jablonski, Janice [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP

(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=54F7E998B02C426B9D7579ADDEED0B7D-JJABLONS]

**Sent**: 4/18/2017 2:17:29 PM

To: Vaughan, Pat [Vaughan.Pat@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Missed conversation with Vaughan, Pat

Not sure whether we have received a revised template, but, if there were something to be working on, I feel pretty certain it would be communicated pretty quickly.

Jan Jablonski, Director Administrative Operations and Stewardship Division Office of Resources, Operations and Management Office of Administration and Resources Management 3102A Room 3353A WJCN (202) 564-9922

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From: Vaughan, Pat [mailto:vaughan.pat@epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 9:35 AM

To: Vaughan, Pat <Vaughan.Pat@epa.gov>; Jablonski, Janice <jablonski.janice@epa.gov>

Subject: Missed conversation with Vaughan, Pat

Vaughan, Pat 9:32 AM:

Hey there! I was told by Sr. Leadership last week that we would be getting a new template from OPM for VERA/VSIP packages by yesterday....any info on this? They keep asking me if I have it yet......

From: Showman, John [Showman.John@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 7/18/2017 8:11:58 PM

**To**: Lapierre, Kenneth [Lapierre.Kenneth@epa.gov]

Subject: Fwd: VERA VSIP Applications Received

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Helm, Arron" < Helm.Arron@epa.gov > Date: July 18, 2017 at 4:10:45 PM EDT

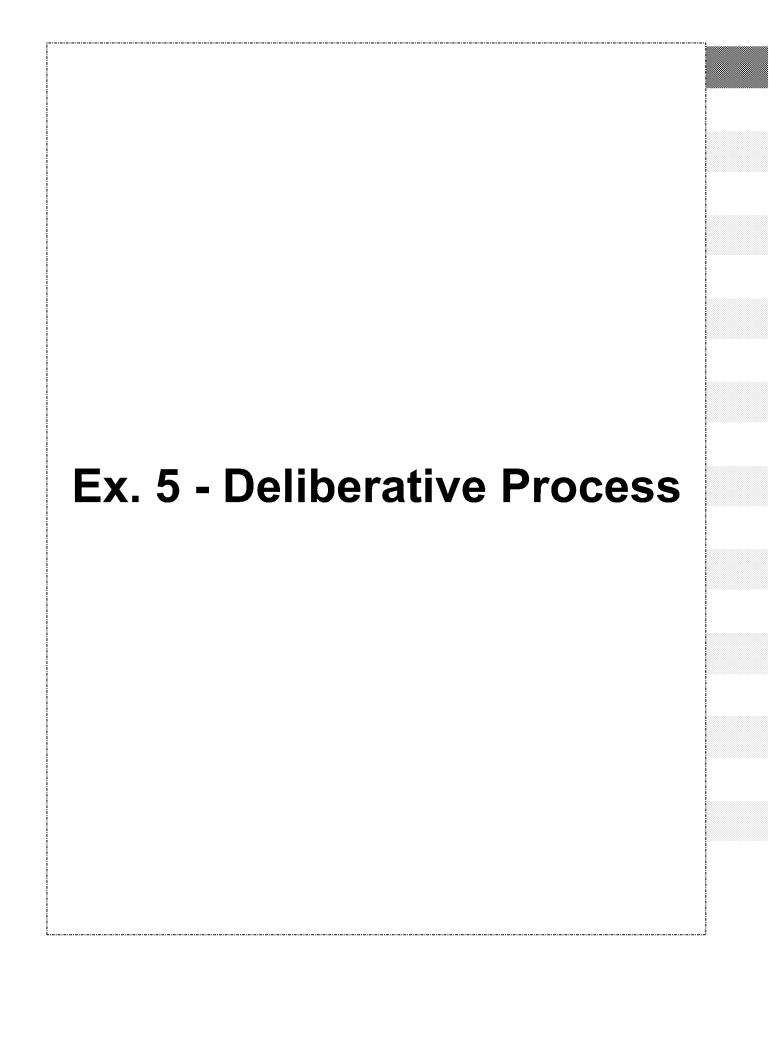
To: "Showman, John" <<u>Showman.John@epa.gov</u>>, "Vizian, Donna" <<u>Vizian.Donna@epa.gov</u>>
Cc: "Hart, Debbi" <<u>Hart.Debbi@epa.gov</u>>, "Hunt, Loretta" <<u>Hunt.Loretta@epa.gov</u>>, "Carter, Rick"

<Carter.Rick@epa.gov>

**Subject: VERA VSIP Applications Received** 

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From: Showman, John [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP

(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=4A5D6E83FBF5499E93CC6B41090245B2-JSHOWMAN]

**Sent**: 7/17/2017 12:19:02 PM

To: Terris, Carol [Terris.Carol@epa.gov]; Bloom, David [Bloom.David@epa.gov]

**Subject**: FYI --- VERA VSIP Applications Received

From: "Martinson, Alice" < Martinson. Alice@epa.gov>

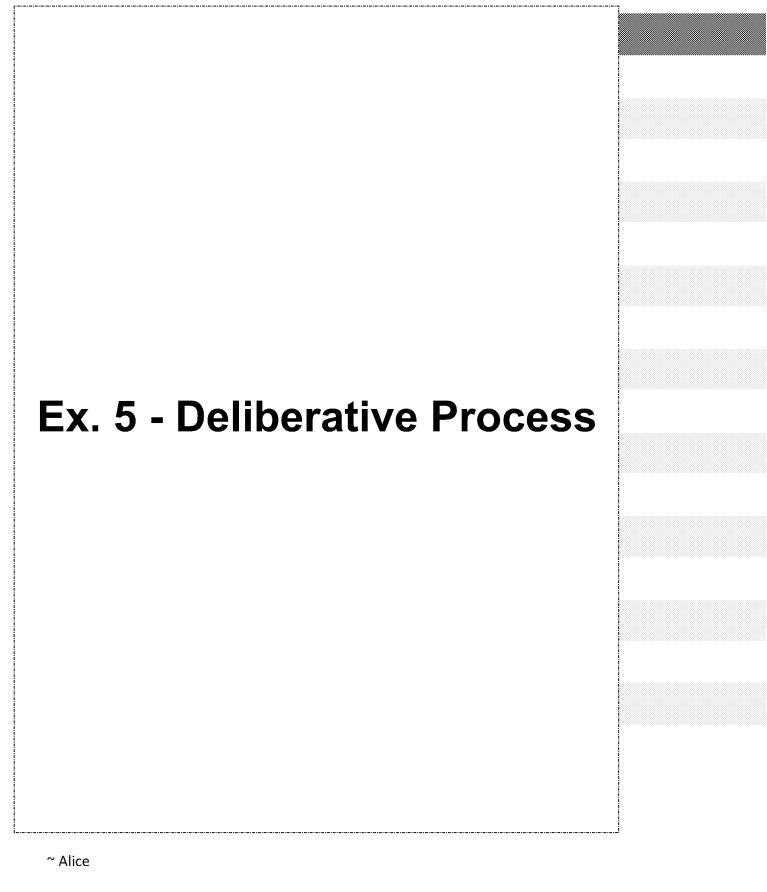
**Date:** July 14, 2017 at 4:17:58 PM EDT **Subject: VERA VSIP Applications Received** 

As of 4:15 this afternoon (Friday) VERA/VSIP applications have been received agency-wide. Below is the breakdown by SSC and then by Program/Region.

Please note that we have received some duplicates and are working to eliminate those as we identify them.

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Alice Martinson
Acting Section Chief, RTP-SSC
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
OARM/HRMD-RTP (MD-C639-02)

Research Triangle Park, NC 27711

voice: 919-541-5420 fax: 919-541-1360



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From: Showman, John [Showman.John@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 7/18/2017 8:05:41 PM

**To**: Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

**Subject**: Re: V/V - request from the COS

What is driving this??

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 18, 2017, at 3:57 PM, Vizian, Donna < Vizian. Donna@epa.gov> wrote:

### Begin forwarded message:

From: "Vizian, Donna" < Vizian. Donna@epa.gov>

Date: July 18, 2017 at 3:36:57 PM EDT

To: "Hart, Debbi" < Hart, Debbi@epa.gov>, "Hunt, Loretta" < Hunt, Loretta@epa.gov>,

"Gray, Linda" <gray.linda@epa.gov>, "Carpenter, Wesley"

<Carpenter.Wesley@epa.gov>

Cc: "Flynn, Mike" < Flynn.Mike@epa.gov>
Subject: V/V - request from the COS

Hi I just came from Ryan's office. Here is what he is seeking:

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Need ASAP – mid-morning tomorrow the latest. Sorry for the quick turn-around and thanks

<VERA VSIP edit COS July2017docx (002).docx>

From: Showman, John [Showman.John@epa.gov] 7/7/2017 10:01:44 PM Sent: To: Hickey, Mike J. Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy Re: EPA Final VERA/VSIP Request--updated information and responses Subject: Thanks Mike. Have a great weekend. Sent from my iPhone On Jul 7, 2017, at 5:33 PM, Hickey, Mike J. wrote: Debbi - Thank you for all of your work to update the VERA/VSIP request. OPM Colleagues – With these final updates, OMB concurs with EPA's VSIP/VERA request. Please let me know if you have any questions. Sincerely, Mike Hickey Chief, Environment Branch Office of Management and Budget (202) 395-3040 From: Hart, Debbi [mailto:Hart.Debbi@epa.gov] Sent: Friday, July 7, 2017 5:13 PM Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy **To:** Grossman, Andrea L Coleman, Darrell E <Darrell.Coleman@opm.gov>; Thornton, Cathryn <Cathryn.Thornton@opm.gov>; Butler, Monica <Monica.Butler@opm.gov>; Snowden, Gregory A <Gregory.Snowden@opm.gov>; Mahoney, Michael J <Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov> Cc: Vizian, Donna < Vizian. Donna@epa.gov>; Showman, John < Showman. John@epa.gov>; Gray, Linda <gray.linda@epa.gov>; Carpenter, Wesley <<u>Carpenter.Wesley@epa.gov</u>>; Parker, Gary <parker\_gary@epa\_gov>; Hunt, Loretta < Hunt\_Loretta@epa\_gov>; Hickey, Mike J Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy | Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy Remmers, Janet < Remmers, Janet @epa.gov>; Terris, Carol <Terris.Carol@epa.gov> Subject: RE: EPA Final VERA/VSIP Request--updated information and responses Importance: High Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process Andrea Thank you! Debbi From: Hart, Debbi Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 3:47 PM Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy To: 'Grossman, Andrea L Coleman, Darrell E <Darrell.Coleman@opm.gov>; Thornton, Cathryn <Cathryn.Thornton@opm.gov>; Butler, Monica <Monica.Butler@opm.gov>; Snowden, Gregory A <Gregory.Snowden@opm.gov>; Mahoney, Michael J <Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov> Cc: Vizian, Donna <Vizian.Donna@epa.gov>; Showman, John <Showman.John@epa.gov>; Gray, Linda <gray.linda@epa.gov>; Carpenter, Wesley <Carpenter.Wesley@epa.gov>; Parker, Gary <parker.gary@epa.gov>; Hunt, Loretta <Hunt.Loretta@epa.gov>; Hickey, Mike J. [Ex.6-Personal Privacy] Remmers, Janet < Remmers, Janet@epa.gov>; Terris, Carol Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy <Terris.Carol@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: EPA Final VERA/VSIP Request--updated information and responses

Importance: High

Andrea-

Please see the updated business case/targeted positions template and our responses to your outstanding questions, all attached. We are standing by for questions. Thanks again. Debbi

Debbi Hart
Director
Policy, Planning & Training Division
OHR, OARM
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202.564.2011
hart.debbi@epa.gov

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From: Grossman, Andrea L. Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

**Sent:** Friday, July 07, 2017 12:19 PM

**To:** Hart, Debbi <a href="mailto:Hart.Debbi@epa.gov">Hart, Debbi@epa.gov</a>; Snowden, Gregory A <a href="mailto:Gregory.Snowden@opm.gov">Gregory.Snowden@opm.gov</a>; Mahoney, Michael J <a href="mailto:Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov">Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov</a>; Coleman, Darrell E <a href="mailto:Darrell.Coleman@opm.gov">Darrell.Coleman@opm.gov</a>; Thornton,

Cathryn <<u>Cathryn.Thornton@opm.gov</u>>; Butler, Monica <<u>Monica.Butler@opm.gov</u>>

Cc: Vizian, Donna < Vizian. Donna@epa.gov>; Showman, John < Showman.John@epa.gov>; Gray, Linda

<gray.linda@epa.gov>; Carpenter, Wesley <Carpenter.Wesley@epa.gov>; Parker, Gary

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Debbi,

Thank you for this response. I'm attaching an updated list of outstanding data/consistency issues.

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Do you also have a written response you can provide for the other two non-data questions I sent over on 6/29?

Thank you,

Andrea Grossman
Program Examiner, OMB Environment Branch
202-395-4756

From: Hart, Debbi [mailto:Hart.Debbi@epa.gov]

**Sent:** Friday, July 7, 2017 8:57 AM

To: Snowden, Gregory A < Gregory. Snowden@opm.gov>; Mahoney, Michael J

<<u>Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov</u>>; Coleman, Darrell E <<u>Darrell.Coleman@opm.gov</u>>; Thornton, Cathryn <<u>Cathryn.Thornton@opm.gov</u>>; Butler, Monica <<u>Monica.Butler@opm.gov</u>>; Mulligan, James S.

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Subject: EPA Final VERA/VSIP Request--email 3 of 3

EPA's final targeted positions chart. I will contact you to ensure receipt of all three pieces. Debbi

From: Hart, Debbi

Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 8:54 AM

To: 'Snowden, Gregory A' < Gregory. Snowden@opm.gov>; 'Mahoney, Michael J'

<<u>Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov</u>>; 'Coleman, Darrell E' <<u>Darrell.Coleman@opm.gov</u>>; 'Thornton, Cathryn' <<u>Cathryn.Thornton@opm.gov</u>>; 'Butler, Monica' <<u>Monica.Butler@opm.gov</u>>; 'Mulligan, James S.

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<parker.gary@epa.gov>; Loretta Hunt <Hunt.Loretta@epa.gov>

Subject: EPA Final VERA/VSIP Request--email 2 of 3

EPA's final business case (attached). DH

From: Hart, Debbi

Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 8:52 AM

To: Snowden, Gregory A < Gregory. Snowden@opm.gov>; Mahoney, Michael J

<Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov>; Coleman, Darrell E <Darrell.Coleman@opm.gov>; Thornton, Cathryn <Cathryn.Thornton@opm.gov>; Butler, Monica <Monica.Butler@opm.gov>; Mulligan, James S.

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Importance: High

Greetings All-

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Debbi Hart Director Policy, Planning & Training Division OHR, OARM USEPA

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To: Vizian, Donna[Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

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**Sent:** Fri 7/7/2017 8:41:53 PM

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From: "Hart, Debbi" < Hart. Debbi@epa.gov>

**Date:** July 7, 2017 at 4:15:54 PM EDT

To: "Terris, Carol" < Terris. Carol@epa.gov >, "Remmers, Janet"

<<u>Remmers.Janet@epa.gov</u>>

Cc: "Hunt, Loretta" < Hunt.Loretta@epa.gov >, "Showman, John" < Showman.John@epa.gov >, "Parker, Gary" < parker.gary@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: EPA Final VERA/VSIP Request--email 1 of 3

I just heard from Andrea that our responses are solid. She said we earned the gold star award (I think you earned that one Janet!) She is talking with her BC and we can expect a reply to all message of their concurrence soon (will include OPM folks too). Woo hoo! And OPM says if we have that, they can move forward today (if I can raise anyone at OPM... the next hurdle).

Thanks again for your help on this! ©

Debbi Hart Director

Policy, Planning & Training Division OHR, OARM USEPA 202.564.2011 hart.debbi@epa.gov

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Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 3:39 PM

**To:** Remmers, Janet < <u>Remmers.Janet@epa.gov</u>>

Cc: Hunt, Loretta < Hunt.Loretta@epa.gov >; Hart, Debbi < Hart.Debbi@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: EPA Final VERA/VSIP Request--email 1 of 3

Thank you Janet for taking care of this!

the numbers are very much estimates until offers are accepted. Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

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From: Remmers, Janet

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Subject: RE: EPA Final VERA/VSIP Request--email 1 of 3

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Janet Remmers, Ph.D.

**RPROS** 

Office of Budget/OCFO

Mail code: 2732A

office: 202-564-0548

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From: Remmers, Janet

**Sent:** Friday, July 07, 2017 3:05 PM **To:** Hart, Debbi < <u>Hart.Debbi@epa.gov</u>>

Cc: Terris, Carol < Terris. Carol@epa.gov >; Hunt, Loretta < Hunt. Loretta@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: EPA Final VERA/VSIP Request--email 1 of 3

Debbi

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**Importance:** High

Janet—as discussed. Let me know how your conversation goes when you get a minute. THANKS AGAIN!

Debbi Hart Director

Policy, Planning & Training Division OHR, OARM USEPA 202.564.2011 hart.debbi@epa.gov

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From: Hart, Debbi

**Sent:** Friday, July 07, 2017 9:11 AM

**To:** Coomber, Robert < coomber.robert@epa.gov >; Corbett, Krysti

<<u>Corbett.Krysti@epa.gov</u>>; Engebretson, Lizabeth <<u>Engebretson.Lizabeth@epa.gov</u>>; Bonner, Jerome <<u>Bonner.Jerome@epa.gov</u>>; Taylor, Jeremy <<u>Taylor.Jeremy@epa.gov</u>>;

Arron Helm < Helm. Arron@epa.gov >; Peabody, Hitch < Peabody. Hitch@epa.gov >

Cc: Carpenter, Wesley < Carpenter. Wesley @epa.gov >; Gray, Linda < gray.linda@epa.gov >;

Loretta Hunt < Hunt. Loretta @epa.gov >; Parker, Gary < parker.gary @epa.gov >

Subject: FW: EPA Final VERA/VSIP Request--email 1 of 3

Importance: High

All—

As submitted in final to OPM/OMB (we had to break it into three pieces so that OPM will receive it.)

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I will let you know

what I hear from OPM and OMB--fingers crossed for quick final approval! Let me know if there are questions. Thank you! Debbi

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Thornton, Cathryn < Cathryn. Thornton@opm.gov>; Butler, Monica

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From: Showman, John [Showman.John@epa.gov]

Sent: 7/14/2017 12:20:44 AM

To: Greene, Diane [greene.diane@epa.gov]

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The U.S. Office of Personnel Management and the U.S. Office of Management and Budget have approved our request to offer Voluntary Separation Incentive Payment (buy-out) and Voluntary Early Retirement Authority (early-out) opportunities. As our organization explores various workforce planning efforts, we want to take advantage of these and other flexibilities and tools to help ensure that our workforce possesses the mix of skills most appropriate for carrying out our mission. This decision was not made lightly; we value our dedicated employees and appreciate the work you perform on behalf of the American people.

In accordance with statute and regulations, we identified the specific grades, occupational series, and geographic locations designated for VERA and VSIP for OPM and OMB, and have received their approval for the categories identified in Attachment A. The maximum number of VSIPs offered to employees in OARM will be 98. If the number of applications received exceeds the maximum number of VSIPs we can offer under one of the categories identified in Attachment A, approvals will be based first on service computation date for leave and then on entry on duty date (total EPA years of service). If the SCD and EOD dates are the same for two eligible employees, then the offer will be granted to the employee who submitted his or her application first. Attachment A also shows the maximum number of VSIP offers that will be approved by organization, grade, occupational series, and geographic location, as applicable.

You can find basic eligibility criteria for VSIPs and VERAs in Attachment B. The Human Resources Shared Service Center in Cincinnati can provide you with more information regarding your benefits and retirement, and can assist you with obtaining a retirement annuity estimate (OARM-RTP employees should contact the HR Shared Service Center in RTP). Attachment C provides contact information for this purpose.

If you decide to apply, you should do so early in the application period, which opens on July 13, 2017 and closes at 11:59 p.m. Eastern standard time on July 26, 2017. Applications submitted between 12:00 a.m. EST, July 13, 2017 and 11:59 p.m. EST, July 26, 2017, will be accepted on a first come, first served basis if the number of applications does not exceed the maximum VERA/VSIP offers available.

Applications will only be accepted during this period using the online application system. Specific instructions on how and when to apply are in Attachment D. If your application is approved and you decide to proceed with VERA and/or VSIP, you must depart during the separation window which ends on September 2, 2017.

The decision to take advantage of a VERA or VSIP is entirely voluntary. This is a very personal decision. No one will be pressured to submit an application, and no one is required to accept an offer. You are urged to carefully consider the information provided and your personal situation prior to making a decision.

We will continue to provide anyone considering this decision with useful information and expert contacts. We plan to use all flexibilities and tools available to help OARM most effectively support both individual employees as well as the agency's strategic mission.

Thank you.

John L Showman III, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator Office of Administration and Resources Management US Environmental Protection Agency 202-564-5341

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The following OA employees have submitted an application for V/V as of 11am this morning:

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Thanks.

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FYI. Lauren is working on the mailing list for the detailed email and the summary table (Attachment A). We should be ready to go in plenty of time for the Monday release. I am canvassing the offices to determine whether we have anyone in the pool who is on extended leave and will be prepared to send them hard copy memos via certified mail.

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Subject: VERA/VSIP Update

I wanted to provide you with an update on our VERA/VSIP Request ----

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We are getting close -- thanks.

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Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 8:27 AM

To: Louis, Patricia <Louis.Patricia@epa.gov>; Bell, Shirley <Bell.Shirley@epa.gov>; Black, Cheryl <black.cheryl@epa.gov>; Davis, MichaelH < Davis. MichaelH@epa.gov>; Lluberas, Luis < Lluberas. Luis@epa.gov>; Amorosi, Joanne <Amorosi.Joanne@epa.gov>; Allen, Shakethia <allen.shakethia@epa.gov>; Neely, Rodney <Neely.Rodney@epa.gov>; Mckay, Linda <Mckay.Linda@epa.gov>; Saracco, Silvia <Saracco.Silvia@epa.gov>; Chenkin, Howard <Chenkin.Howard@epa.gov>; Clarke, Denise <clarke.denise@epa.gov>; Valentino, Thomas <Valentino.Thomas@epa.gov>; Lyles, Dianne <lyles.dianne@epa.gov>; Sutton, Donald <Sutton.Donald@epa.gov>; Gillis-Massey, Martina <gillis-massey.martina@epa.gov>; Nelson-Palmer, Brian <nelson-palmer.brian@epa.gov>; Gray, RobertA <Gray.RobertA@epa.gov>; Madison, Tommie <MADISON.TOMMIE@EPA.GOV>; Macht, Jennifer <Macht.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Hubbell, Holly <Hubbell.Holly@epa.gov>; Brown, Dawn <Brown.Dawn@epa.gov>; Baptist, Douglas <a href="mailto:Baptist.Douglas@epa.gov">Baptist.Douglas@epa.gov</a>; Waughn, Celia <a href="mailto:Celia@epa.gov">Celia@epa.gov</a>; Waughn, Celia@epa.gov</a>; Waughn, Celia@epa.gov< Koehler, Alfred <koehler.alfred@epa.gov>; Tonsil, Pauline <tonsil.pauline@epa.gov>; Oliver, John <Oliver.John@epa.gov>; Brunecz, Michelle <Brunecz.Michelle@epa.gov>; Danley-Smith, Sylvia <Danley-Smith.Sylvia@epa.gov>; ODEND'HAL, JULIANNE <OdendHal.Julianne@epa.gov>; Alston, Lawrence <Alston.Lawrence@epa.gov>; Greene, Diane <greene.diane@epa.gov>; Hairston, Lakeyshia <Hairston.Lakeyshia@epa.gov>; Smith, Leon <Smith.Leon@epa.gov>; Clark, Cheryl <clark.cheryl@epa.gov>; Messick, Michelle <Messick.Michelle@epa.gov>; Parker, Veronica <Parker.Veronica@epa.gov>; Oboyle, Ellen <oboyle.ellen@epa.gov>; Anthony, Peggy <Anthony.Peggy@epa.gov>; Young, Jill <Young.Jill@epa.gov>; Belles, Richard <Belles.Richard@epa.gov>; Creed, Suzette <Creed.Suzette@epa.gov>; Jones, Traci <Jones.Traci@epa.gov>; Arnold, Eileen < Arnold. Eileen @epa.gov>; Taylor, Jeffrey < Taylor. Jeff@epa.gov>; Wilson, Robert < Wilson. Robert@epa.gov>; Rodriguez, Victor <Rodriguez. Victor@epa.gov>; Barber, Wayne <Barber. Wayne@epa.gov>; Martinez, Doris <Martinez.Doris@epa.gov>; Moore, Bobby <Moore.Bobby@epa.gov>; Kirkland, William <Kirkland.William@epa.gov>; Gantt, Adrienne <Gantt.Adrienne@epa.gov>; Hitchcock, Charlie <Hitchcock.Charlie@epa.gov>; Pierce, DeEdria <Pierce.DeEdria@epa.gov>; Love, Stephanie <Love.Stephanie@epa.gov>; Viney, Barbara <Viney.Barbara@epa.gov>; Beard, Deborah-Ward <beard.deborah-ward@epa.gov>; Keemer, Mary <Keemer.Mary@epa.gov>; Lew, William <Lew.William@epa.gov>; Perkins, Barbara <Perkins.Barbara@epa.gov>; Jackson, Mildred <Jackson.Mildred@epa.gov>; KHATRI, KUSH <Khatri.Kush@epa.gov>; Marusak, Kirk <Marusak.Kirk@epa.gov>; Robinson, Latonya <Robinson.Latonya@epa.gov>; Thomas, Bridgette <thomas.bridgette@epa.gov>; Fields, Deborah <Fields.Deborah@epa.gov>; Williams , Laurie <Williams.Laurie@epa.gov>; Williams, Nicole <Williams.Nicole@epa.gov>; Little, Patricia L. <Little.PatriciaL@epa.gov>; Harris, PhyllisA <Harris.PhyllisA@epa.gov>; Owens, Terri <Owens.Terri@epa.gov>; Murray, Cheryl <Murray.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Smith, HelenT <Smith.HelenT@epa.gov>; Brandon, Shantell <Brandon.Shantell@epa.gov>; Harrison, Tina <Harrison.Tina@epa.gov>; Hood, Anthony <Hood.Anthony@epa.gov>; Wilson, SeVera <Wilson.SeVera@epa.gov>; Perry, Mike <Perry.Mike@epa.gov>; Chesley, Don <Chesley.Don@epa.gov>; Brown, Geraldine <Brown.Geraldine@epa.gov>; Green, Eugene <Green.Eugene@epa.gov>; Rousey, Toni <Rousey.Toni@epa.gov>; Joyce, Mark <Joyce.Mark@epa.gov>; Walker, Nadene < Walker. Nadene@epa.gov>; Womack, Sandy < Womack. Sandy@epa.gov>; Wiskerchen, Nicholas <Wiskerchen.Nicholas@epa.gov>; Richardson, Karen <Richardson.Karen@epa.gov>; Gooden, Melanie <Gooden.Melanie@epa.gov>; Fletcher, Linda <Fletcher.Linda@epa.gov>; Jackson, Terrence <Jackson.Terrence@epa.gov>; Settle, Steve <Settle.Steve@epa.gov>; Levesque, Dan <Levesque.Dan@epa.gov>; Brown,

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Subject: Voluntary Early Retirement Authority and Voluntary Separation Incentive Payment Opportunities in OARM

The U.S. Office of Personnel Management and the U.S. Office of Management and Budget have approved our request to offer Voluntary Separation Incentive Payment (buy-out) and Voluntary Early Retirement Authority (early-out) opportunities. As our organization explores various workforce planning efforts, we want to take advantage of these and other flexibilities and tools to help ensure that our workforce possesses the mix of skills most appropriate for carrying out our mission. This decision was not made lightly; we value our dedicated employees and appreciate the work you perform on behalf of the American people.

In accordance with statute and regulations, we identified the specific grades, occupational series, and geographic locations designated for VERA and VSIP for OPM and OMB, and have received their approval for the categories identified in Attachment A. The maximum number of VSIPs offered to employees in OARM will be 98. If the number of applications received exceeds the maximum number of VSIPs we can offer under one of the categories identified in Attachment A, approvals will be based first on service computation date for leave and then on entry on duty date (total EPA years of service). If the SCD and EOD dates are the same for two eligible employees, then the offer will be granted to the employee who submitted his or her application first. Attachment A also shows the maximum number of VSIP offers that will be approved by organization, grade, occupational series, and geographic location, as applicable.

You can find basic eligibility criteria for VSIPs and VERAs in Attachment B. The Human Resources Shared Service Center in Cincinnati can provide you with more information regarding your benefits and retirement, and can assist you with obtaining a retirement annuity estimate (OARM-RTP employees should contact the HR Shared Service Center in RTP). Attachment C provides contact information for this purpose.

If you decide to apply, you should do so early in the application period, which opens on July 13, 2017 and closes at 11:59 p.m. Eastern standard time on July 26, 2017. Applications submitted between 12:00 a.m. EST, July 13, 2017 and 11:59 p.m. EST, July 26, 2017, will be accepted on a first come, first served basis if the number of applications does not exceed the maximum VERA/VSIP offers available.

Applications will only be accepted during this period using the online application system. Specific instructions on how and when to apply are in Attachment D. If your application is approved and you decide to proceed with VERA and/or VSIP, you must depart during the separation window which ends on September 2, 2017.

The decision to take advantage of a VERA or VSIP is entirely voluntary. This is a very personal decision. No one will be pressured to submit an application, and no one is required to accept an offer. You are urged to carefully consider the information provided and your personal situation prior to making a decision.

We will continue to provide anyone considering this decision with useful information and expert contacts. We plan to use all flexibilities and tools available to help OARM most effectively support both individual employees as well as the agency's strategic mission.

Thank you.

John L Showman III, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator Office of Administration and Resources Management US Environmental Protection Agency 202-564-5341 From: Reinhold, Mark D [Mark.Reinhold@opm.gov]

**Sent**: 8/4/2017 10:41:37 AM

To: Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: EPA's VERA/VSIP Request -

Hi Donna - I'll be happy to touch bases with staff on this

Mark

From: Vizian, Donna [mailto:Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 4:01 PM

To: Reinhold, Mark D

Subject: EPA's VERA/VSIP Request -

Hi Mark,

I hope all is well. Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process Please see below the

request my staff sent. Thanks in advance for your help.

Best, Donna

From: Hunt, Loretta

Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 3:38 PM

To: Snowden, Gregory A < <a href="mailto:Snowden@opm.gov">Gregory.Snowden@opm.gov</a>; Mahoney, Michael J < <a href="mailto:Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov">Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov</a>; Grossman,

Andrea L. Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy Hickey, Mike J. Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

Cc: Hart, Debbi < Hart. Debbi@epa.gov>; Parker, Gary < parker.gary@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: EPA's VERA/VSIP Request -

Importance: High

Gregory/Mike,

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Thanks in advance for your review and assistance.

Loretta L. Hunt Branch Chief Policy and Accountability Branch Policy, Planning and Training Division Office of Human Resources

U.S. EPA

Phone: (202) 564-6963 Email: hunt.loretta@epa.gov

From: Hunt, Loretta

Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:26 PM

To:Snowden, Gregory A < Gregory. Snowden@opm.gov>; Mahoney, Michael J < Mike. Mahoney@opm.gov>; Grossman,Andrea L.Ex. 6 - Personal PrivacyHickey, Mike J.Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

Cc: Hart, Debbi < Hart. Debbi@epa.gov >; Parker, Gary < parker.gary@epa.gov >

Subject: Re: EPA's VERA/VSIP Request -

Gregory/Mike,

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Please provide approval or disapproval of this change.

Thank you for your assistance and have a good weekend.

From: Snowden, Gregory A <Gregory.Snowden@opm.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, July 13, 2017 2:39 PM

To: Hunt, Loretta; Mahoney, Michael J; Grossman, Andrea L. Ex. 6-Personal Privacy ; Hickey, Mike J. Ex. 6-Personal Privacy

Cc: Hart, Debbi

Subject: RE: EPA's VERA/VSIP Request -

Hello Loretta,

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**Gregory Snowden** OPM

**From:** Hunt, Loretta [mailto:Hunt.Loretta@epa.gov]

**Sent:** Thursday, July 13, 2017 9:42 AM

To: Mahoney, Michael J; Snowden, Gregory A; Grossman, Andrea LEX. 6 - Personal Privacy Hickey, Mike J. Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

Cc: Hart, Debbi

Subject: RE: EPA's VERA/VSIP Request -

Importance: High

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Loretta L. Hunt Branch Chief Policy and Accountability Branch Policy, Planning and Training Division Office of Human Resources U.S. EPA

Phone: (202) 564-6963

Email: hunt.loretta@epa.gov

From: Mahoney, Michael J [mailto:Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov]

Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 2:32 PM

To: Hunt, Loretta < Hunt, Loretta@epa.gov>; Snowden, Gregory A < Gregory. Snowden@opm.gov>

**Cc:** Hart, Debbi < <u>Hart.Debbi@epa.gov</u>> **Subject:** RE: EPA's VERA/VSIP Request

Here tis'...

-mike

From: Hunt, Loretta [mailto:Hunt.Loretta@epa.gov]

**Sent:** Monday, July 10, 2017 11:13 AM **To:** Mahoney, Michael J; Snowden, Gregory A

Cc: Hart, Debbi

Subject: EPA's VERA/VSIP Request

Importance: High

Mike/Gregory,

Is the approval for EPA's request being signed today? Thanks.

Loretta L. Hunt Branch Chief Policy and Accountability Branch Policy, Planning and Training Division Office of Human Resources

U.S. EPA

Phone: (202) 564-6963 Email: hunt.loretta@epa.gov

From: Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 7/19/2017 3:35:19 PM

To: Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

Subject: Re: Mike's mass mailer

Ok thx. I'll share with Ryan.

Mike Flynn Acting Deputy Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (202) 564- 4711

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 19, 2017, at 11:25 AM, Vizian, Donna < <u>Vizian.Donna@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

Yes

On Jul 19, 2017, at 11:05 AM, Flynn, Mike < Flynn.Mike@epa.gov > wrote:

Looks good. One question: is there a scenario whereby an employee could qualify for Vera and visip?

Mike Flynn Acting Deputy Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (202) 564-4711

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 19, 2017, at 10:58 AM, Vizian, Donna < <u>Vizian.Donna@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Wheeler, Kimberly" < Wheeler.Kimberly@epa.gov>

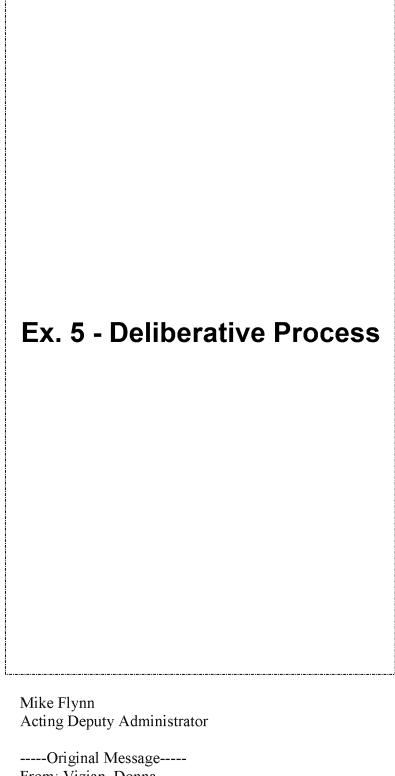
**Date:** July 19, 2017 at 10:56:53 AM EDT

**To:** "Vizian, Donna" < <u>Vizian Donna@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: Mike's mass mailer

Dear Colleagues,

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From: Vizian, Donna

Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 10:51 AM

To: Wheeler, Kimberly

< Wheeler.Kimberly@epa.gov> Subject: Mike's mass mailer

Kim

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To: Vizian, Donna[Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

From: Coleman, Sam

**Sent:** Mon 4/17/2017 9:16:15 PM

Subject: RE: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Thanks

Samuel Coleman, P.E.

Deputy Regional Administrator

EPA Region 6

coleman.sam@epa.gov

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From: Vizian, Donna

**Sent:** Monday, April 17, 2017 4:01 PM

**To:** 2017HQfirstassistants <2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov>; 2017Regionfirstassistants

<2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov>

Cc: DAA-Career <DAACareer@epa.gov>; DRA <DRA@epa.gov>; ARA <ARA@epa.gov>;

Gray, Linda <gray.linda@epa.gov>; Hart, Debbi <Hart.Debbi@epa.gov>

Subject: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Importance: High

HI Everyone,

Following up on Mike's message, attached is the material to guide you through your workforce reshaping submission which should focus on your current organizational structure and achieving efficiencies. As we agreed, the first step will be for each NPM to work with the lead region to draft a proposal for their programs where appropriate. The submission should be no more than one page and sent to Debbi Hart with a copy to me by May 5<sup>th</sup>. OARM will compile this information and schedule a meeting for us to discuss. This does not prohibit a reshaping that is

specific to your office.

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Your office submittals will be compiled into one, agency-level VERA/VSIP proposal that will ultimately be submitted to OPM and OMB for review and approval. Your program or regional office must provide the following documentation to Debbi Hart, director, Policy, Planning and Training Divisions, no later than May 24, 2017.

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Best,

Donna

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6. VERA and VSIP Guides from OPM – provide additional details on the two authorities.

From: Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 4/17/2017 7:13:33 PM

To: Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Thanks - hope to have my memo out later this am

Mike Flynn Acting Deputy Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 202-564-4711

From: Vizian, Donna

**Sent:** Monday, April 17, 2017 9:57 AM **To:** Flynn, Mike <Flynn.Mike@epa.gov>

**Subject:** EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Importance: High

Hi Mike – I intend to send this after you send your email. The pdfs are the OPM guides – no need to review.

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Subject: Re: Mike's mass mailer

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Mike Flynn Acting Deputy Administrator

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To: Vizian, Donna[Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]
Cc: Reeder, John[Reeder.John@epa.gov];

Reeder, John[Reeder.John@epa.gov]; Lesperance, Twanna[Lesperance.Twanna@epa.gov]

From: Allen, Reginald

**Sent:** Fri 7/14/2017 6:15:32 PM

Subject: RE: Hiring Request for Office of Multi-Media

Donna

Thanks for considering this and yes they do have the vacancies and FTE to full those positions. The only overlap is the series, the positions and PDs are very different than anything they are offering in VERA/VSIP pool.

The 1001 series "General Arts and Information" has many different jobs like all series. The ones offered in this VERA/VSIP are 4 x Web Communication Specialists (3xGS13 and 1xGS15) and one communications specialist (GS14), these are focused on social media.

The requested position are the same series but very different positions/PD -- Motion Graphics and Video Production Specialist (GS-1001-14) and a Multimedia Production Specialist (GS-1001-13) to do videography, photography and graphic animation in support of the Administrator while traveling.

As an aside the political leadership in OP want video and photo support for the Administrator all the time and at present they cannot fill all the requirements with the Administrator extensive travel schedule – these folks will help that effort.

Best

Reggie

Reginald E. Allen, SES

Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Office 202-564-0444

Direct 202-564-1029

Cell 202-306-2879

From: Vizian, Donna

Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 3:49 PM

To: Allen, Reginald < Allen. Reginald@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Hiring Request for Office of Multi-Media

HI Reggie – I am trying to help Mike get through all the requests for outside hires. I need help understand what is below. OPM is seeking to fill 2 positions externally. DO they have 2 vacant positions? Is there an overlap with the positions that are in the V/V pool? If so, how is the backfill different than the current position? thanks

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Hull, George" < Hull. George@epa.gov >

**Date:** July 13, 2017 at 8:29:20 AM EDT **To:** "Flynn, Mike" < <u>Flynn.Mike@epa.gov</u>> **Cc:** "Reeder, John" < <u>Reeder.John@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: Hiring Request for Office of Multi-Media

The series for these two positions is 1001, which is Web/Communications Specialist. This series is on the V/V list for OPA. We have 5 of them across OPA, (in the Office of Web Communications and in Office of Multimedia). We are accepting 1 V/V applicant from the 5. - George

From: Flynn, Mike

**Sent:** Thursday, July 13, 2017 7:53 AM **To:** Hull, George < <u>Hull.George@epa.gov</u>> **Cc:** Reeder, John < Reeder.John@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Hiring Request for Office of Multi-Media

George, one question: are either of these positions on the V/V list?

Mike Flynn

Acting Deputy Administrator

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

(202) 564-4711

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 10, 2017, at 2:08 PM, Hull, George < Hull.George@epa.gov > wrote:

Hi Mike,

I'm circling back to ask if you need any additional information regarding the request from Liz Bowman for permission to solicit applicants for the two positions in our Office of Multi-Media. We are already running into limitations in our ability to staff the Administrator's trips; a situation that will get worse with several staff expected to retire. Thanks, George

From: Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 7/13/2017 9:17:50 PM

To: Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

Subject: Re: Hiring Request for Office of Multi-Media

Thanks .. I just left office for a Drs appt. Will be in tomorrow.

Mike Flynn Acting Deputy Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (202) 564-4711

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On Jul 13, 2017, at 3:49 PM, Vizian, Donna < Vizian. Donna@epa.gov> wrote:

I've asked some questions, will stop by when I have answers

From: Flynn, Mike

Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 9:07 AM
To: Vizian, Donna < Vizian, Donna@epa.gov>

Subject: Fwd: Hiring Request for Office of Multi-Media

Will need to chat with you about this.

Mike Flynn Acting Deputy Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (202) 564- 4711

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Hull, George" < Hull.George@epa.gov > Date: July 13, 2017 at 8:29:20 AM EDT
To: "Flynn, Mike" < Flynn.Mike@epa.gov > Cc: "Reeder, John" < Reeder.John@epa.gov >

Subject: RE: Hiring Request for Office of Multi-Media

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Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 7:53 AM

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Cc: Reeder, John < Reeder.John@epa.gov >

Subject: Re: Hiring Request for Office of Multi-Media

George, one question: Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

Mike Flynn **Acting Deputy Administrator** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (202) 564-4711

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On Jul 10, 2017, at 2:08 PM, Hull, George < Hull.George@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Mike,

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From: Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 7/13/2017 1:07:14 PM

To: Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

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(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=CB2401BF8D4F441DBF27F21E122BE2C5-VIZIAN, DONNA]

**Sent**: 4/17/2017 1:56:31 PM

To: Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]

Subject: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Attachments:

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Importance: High

Hi Mike – I intend to send this after you send your email. The pdfs are the OPM guides – no need to review.

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6. VERA and VSIP Guides from OPM – provide additional details on the two authorities.



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(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=CB2401BF8D4F441DBF27F21E122BE2C5-VIZIAN, DONNA]

**Sent**: 8/8/2017 7:58:40 PM

To: Greaves, Holly [greaves.holly@epa.gov]; Walsh, Ed [Walsh.Ed@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Buyout pay

Heft a message for my main contact in OPM.

From: Greaves, Holly

Sent: Tuesday, August 08, 2017 3:55 PM

To: Vizian, Donna < Vizian. Donna@epa.gov>; Walsh, Ed < Walsh. Ed@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Buyout pay

Thank you, both would be helpful. Ryan has asked for some more information.

From: Vizian, Donna

Sent: Tuesday, August 8, 2017 3:12 PM

To: Greaves, Holly <greaves.holly@epa.gov>; Walsh, Ed <Walsh.Ed@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Buyout pay

I can check with OPM

From: Greaves, Holly

Sent: Tuesday, August 08, 2017 2:47 PM

To: Walsh, Ed < Walsh. Ed@epa.gov>; Vizian, Donna < Vizian. Donna@epa.gov>

Subject: Buyout pay

Donna/Ed,

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https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/wp/2017/07/11/trump-administration-wants-to-boost-value-of-federal-employee-buyouts/

http://www.govexec.com/pay-benefits/2017/07/white-house-wants-increase-federal-employee-buyout-payments/139353/

Thank you, Holly

From: Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 5/5/2017 6:37:31 PM

To: Gantt, Melissa [Gantt.Melissa@epa.gov]

**Subject**: Fwd: Office of Research and Development Workforce Reshaping Proposal **Attachments**: VERA-VSIP 2017 One-Page Proposal Draft (v8).docx; ATT00001.htm

Coming back. Can you please print

#### Begin forwarded message:

From: "Radzikowski, Mary Ellen" < Radzikowski. Maryellen@epa.gov>

Date: May 5, 2017 at 2:26:43 PM EDT To: "Hart, Debbi" <Hart.Debbi@epa.gov>

Cc: "Vizian, Donna" < <u>Vizian.Donna@epa.gov</u>>, "Kavlock, Robert" < <u>Kavlock.Robert@epa.gov</u>>, "Robbins, Chris" < <u>Robbins.Chris@epa.gov</u>>, "Rodan, Bruce" < <u>rodan.bruce@epa.gov</u>>, "Blackburn, Elizabeth" < Blackburn.Elizabeth@epa.gov>, "Hubbard, Carolyn" < Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>

Subject: Office of Research and Development Workforce Reshaping Proposal

Attached please find the Office of Research and Development's workforce reshaping proposal. Please let me know of you have any questions.

Thank you.

Mary Ellen Radzikowski
Acting Associate Assistant Administrator
Office of Research and Development
Radzikowski.maryellen@epa.gov
202 564 6757

From: Vizian, Donna [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP

(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=CB2401BF8D4F441DBF27F21E122BE2C5-VIZIAN, DONNA]

**Sent**: 5/23/2017 5:09:08 PM

To: Robbins, Chris [Robbins.Chris@epa.gov]

Subject: FW: Workforce Reshaping Summary information

Attachments: Copy of 05232017VERA VSIP Major Themes For Agency.xlsx

Importance: High

From: Vizian, Donna

Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 10:46 AM

To: 2017HQfirstassistants <2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov>; 2017Regionfirstassistants

<2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov>

Cc: Hart, Debbi < Hart. Debbi@epa.gov>; Gray, Linda < gray.linda@epa.gov>; Showman, John < Showman.John@epa.gov>;

Carpenter, Wesley < Carpenter. Wesley @epa.gov > Subject: Workforce Reshaping Summary information

Importance: High

HI Everyone, First, please keep this close hold. I ask that you share by hard copy only to those helping you with this effort.

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We will talk about

next steps at noon.

thanks

Printing Instructions: On the Excel Print Screen, chose Landscape Orientation and on the bottom drop down about scaling, Choose the fit on one page option. This will create small print but can be improved by removing the comment column from the print selection.

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From: Vizian, Donna

Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 3:57 PM

To: 2017HQfirstassistants <2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov>; 2017Regionfirstassistants

<2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov>

Cc: Hart, Debbi < Hart. Debbi@epa.gov>; Parker, Gary < parker.gary@epa.gov>; Hunt, Loretta < Hunt. Loretta @epa.gov>;

Gray, Linda <gray.linda@epa.gov>; Carpenter, Wesley <<u>Carpenter.Wesley@epa.gov</u>>; DAA-Career

<DAACareer@epa.gov>; DRA <DRA@epa.gov>; ARA <ARA@epa.gov>

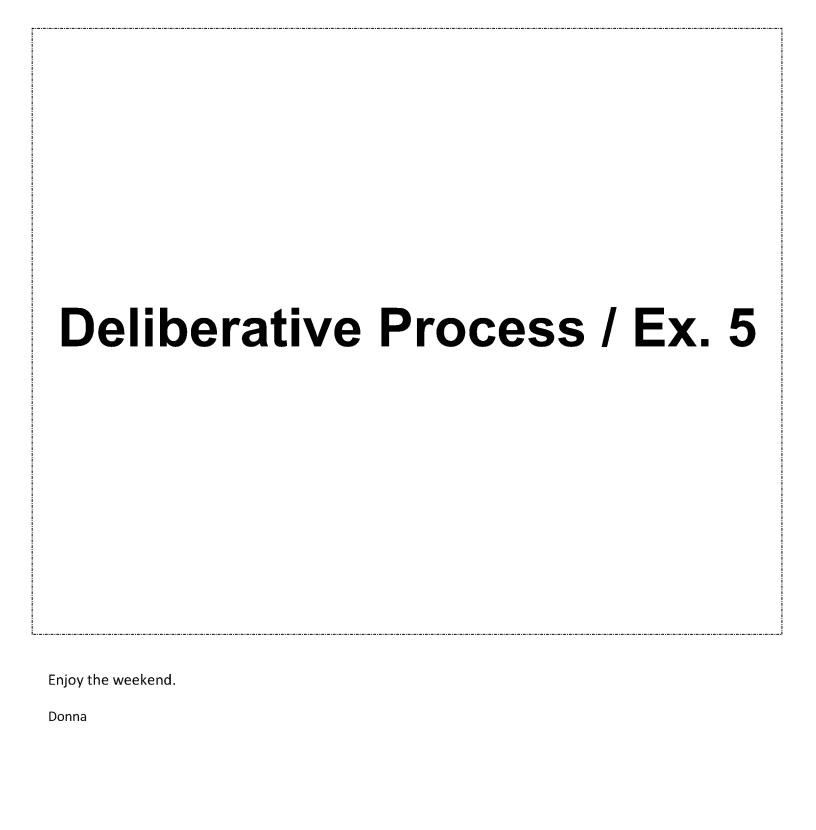
Subject: Workforce Reshaping follow up

Hi Everyone,

Following up on our Wednesday conversation,

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## **Deliberative Process / Ex. 5**



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(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=CB2401BF8D4F441DBF27F21E122BE2C5-VIZIAN, DONNA]

**Sent**: 3/23/2017 9:53:45 PM

To: Starfield, Lawrence [Starfield.Lawrence@epa.gov]; Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]
CC: 2017HQfirstassistants [2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov]; 2017Regionfirstassistants

[2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: a Proposal

Hi Everyone. Mike and I had the opportunity to talk. We suggest that we talk through this at our Tuesday meeting. I can then share what I have learned from OPM.

Thanks Donna

From: Starfield, Lawrence

Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 9:10 AM

**To:** Flynn, Mike <Flynn.Mike@epa.gov>; Vizian, Donna <Vizian.Donna@epa.gov> **Cc:** 2017HQfirstassistants <2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov>; 2017Regionfirstassistants

<2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov>

**Subject:** a Proposal **Importance:** High

Mike and Donna,

I know that you are waiting for direction before proceeding with efforts to develop approaches to reduce FTE numbers, but with each day that passes, the task becomes harder to accomplish with only V/V and attrition. I think we all feel an obligation to our staff to press on this issue quickly. I would recommend that we take two steps:

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I'm hoping that we can make a decision on how to move this forward at next week's First Assistants' meeting, and perhaps make a detailed presentation to Ryan/Holly or others at the EMC.

Thanks for your consideration of this proposal.

Larry

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To: Sowell, Sarah[Sowell.Sarah@epa.gov]

Cc: Flynn, Mike[Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]; Corbett, Krysti[Corbett.Krysti@epa.gov]; Coomber,

Robert[coomber.robert@epa.gov]; Hull, George[Hull.George@epa.gov]

From: Vizian, Donna

Sent: Thur 6/1/2017 6:09:49 PM Subject: Re: Message from Mike on V/V

Thanks much.

On Jun 1, 2017, at 2:08 PM, Sowell, Sarah < Sowell. Sarah@epa.gov > wrote:

Hi Donna,

Yes. We'll pull it together to send from Mike. We will include Krysti and Bob on the 30-minute notice. Ideally, we'll push this out by 3 p.m. this afternoon.

Sarah

Sarah N. Sowell, Director, Office of Internal Communications

Office of Public Affaris

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency / OPA/OIC William Jefferson Clinton Bldg/North, Room 2502-L / MC 1701-A 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20460

*Tel:* 202-564-0145 // Cell: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

From: Vizian, Donna

**Sent:** Thursday, June 1, 2017 1:59 PM

**To:** Flynn, Mike <<u>Flynn.Mike@epa.gov</u>>; Sowell, Sarah <<u>Sowell.Sarah@epa.gov</u>>; Corbett, Krysti <<u>Corbett.Krysti@epa.gov</u>>; Coomber, Robert <<u>coomber.robert@epa.gov</u>>; Hull, George <<u>Hull.George@epa.gov</u>> **Subject:** Message from Mike on V/V

Hi Sarah – we received the green light to send this out. Attached is the document. We need to coordinate notifying the Union with sending this out. Could you please give Krysti and Bob who are on this email a half hour notice. Thanks all.

From: Vizian, Donna [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP

(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=CB2401BF8D4F441DBF27F21E122BE2C5-VIZIAN, DONNA]

**Sent**: 4/14/2017 5:07:16 PM

To: Gantt, Melissa [Gantt.Melissa@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Attachments:

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Importance: High

Can you please print so I can take it with me. thanks

From: Hart, Debbi

Sent: Friday, April 14, 2017 12:48 PM
To: Vizian, Donna < Vizian. Donna@epa.gov>

Cc: Hunt, Loretta < Hunt.Loretta@epa.gov>; Carpenter, Wesley < Carpenter.Wesley@epa.gov>; Gray, Linda

<gray.linda@epa.gov>; Showman, John <Showman.John@epa.gov>

Subject: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Importance: High

Here is what we've compiled—hopefully the instructions are clear. Feel free to modify message as needed. Merci! Debbi

Greetings EPA Colleagues-

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To: Hitchens, Lynnann[hitchens.lynnann@epa.gov]

From: Vizian, Donna

**Sent:** Fri 5/26/2017 3:04:57 PM

Subject: Re: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Thanks

On May 26, 2017, at 10:49 AM, Hitchens, Lynnann < hitchens.lynnann@epa.gov > wrote:

Debbi -	Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process	Thanks,

Lynnann

Lynnann Hitchens

Acting Director, Office of Resources, Operations and Management

Office of Administration and Resources Management

P: 202-564-3184

M: Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

From: Vizian, Donna

Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 5:26 PM

To: Hitchens, Lynnann < hitchens.lynnann@epa.gov > Cc: Showman, John < Showman.John@epa.gov > Subject: FW: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Importance: High

Wanted you to know that I shared this with the ARAs. Let's talk about what you should communicate to them tomorrow. We also need a lead for our package. Should that be Dan? Jan? you?

From: Vizian, Donna

**Sent:** Monday, April 17, 2017 5:01 PM

**To:** 2017HQfirstassistants <2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov>; 2017Regionfirstassistants <2017Regionfirstassistants@epa.gov>

Cc: DAA-Career <<u>DAACareer@epa.gov</u>>; DRA <<u>DRA@epa.gov</u>>; Brincks, Mike

< brincks.mike@epa.gov>; Buhl, Rick < Buhl.Rick@epa.gov>; Carter, Rick

<<u>Carter.Rick@epa.gov</u>>; Esher, Diana <<u>Esher.Diana@epa.gov</u>>; Graves, Kimberly

<graves.kimberly@epa.gov>; Harmon, Russell < Harmon.Russell@epa.gov>; Helm, Arron

< Helm. Arron@epa.gov>; Kenyon, Michael < Kenyon. Michael@epa.gov>; Lapierre,

Kenneth < lapierre.kenneth@epa.gov >; Lindsay, Nancy < Lindsay.Nancy@epa.gov >;

Manna, Richard < Manna. Richard @epa.gov >; McDonald, James

< McDonald.James@epa.gov >; McIlwain, Serena < McIlwain.Serena@epa.gov >; Newton,

Cheryl < Newton. Cheryl@epa.gov >; Sanders, Amy < Sanders. Amy@epa.gov >; Tellis,

Vickie < Tellis. Vickie@epa.gov>; Westenberger, Andrea

< <u>Westenberger.Andrea@epa.gov</u>>; Gray, Linda < <u>gray.linda@epa.gov</u>>; Hart, Debbi

<Hart.Debbi@epa.gov>

Subject: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Importance: High

HI Everyone,

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Donna				
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(FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=CB2401BF8D4F441DBF27F21E122BE2C5-VIZIAN, DONNA]

**Sent**: 6/27/2017 1:24:12 PM

**To**: Wheeler, Kimberly [Wheeler.Kimberly@epa.gov]

Subject: FW: Update for EPA's VERA/VSIP business case and targeted positions Email 2 of 2

#### I may need to do this

From: Grossman, Andrea L. EOP/OMB [mailto:Andrea\_L\_Grossman@omb.eop.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2017 9:19 AM
To: Hunt, Loretta < Hunt.Loretta@epa.gov>

Cc: Hart, Debbi < Hart.Debbi@epa.gov>; Parker, Gary < parker.gary@epa.gov>; Terris, Carol < Terris.Carol@epa.gov>;

Hickey, Mike J. EOP/OMB < Michael\_Hickey@omb.eop.gov>; Mulligan, James S. EOP/OMB

<James\_S\_Mulligan@omb.eop.gov>; Vizian, Donna <Vizian.Donna@epa.gov>; Showman, John

<Showman.John@epa.gov>; Gray, Linda <gray.linda@epa.gov>; Carpenter, Wesley <Carpenter.Wesley@epa.gov>

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Loretta,

Yes, 2 pm tomorrow will work. I'll work on reserving a conference room and will let you know when that is done and send you the link to have people cleared by building security.

Thank you,

Andrea Grossman
Program Examiner, OMB Environment Branch
202-395-4756

From: Hunt, Loretta [mailto:Hunt.Loretta@epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 6:00 PM

To: Grossman, Andrea L. EOP/OMB < Andrea L. Grossman@omb.eop.gov>

Cc: Hart, Debbi <a href="mailto:Hart.Debbi@epa.gov">Hart.Debbi@epa.gov</a>; Parker, Gary <pary@epa.gov</p>; Terris, Carol <a href="mailto:Terris.Carol@epa.gov">Terris, Carol@epa.gov</a>; parker, gary@epa.gov; Terris, Carol <a href="mailto:Terris.Carol@epa.gov">Terris, Carol@epa.gov</a>; parker, gary@epa.gov

Hickey, Mike J. EOP/OMB < <a href="mailto:Michael\_Hickey@omb.eop.gov">Mulligan, James S. EOP/OMB</a>

<James S Mulligan@omb.eop.gov>; Vizian, Donna < Vizian.Donna@epa.gov>; Showman, John

<<u>Showman.John@epa.gov>; Gray, Linda <gray.linda@epa.gov>; Carpenter, Wesley <Carpenter.Wesley@epa.gov></u>

Subject: RE: Update for EPA's VERA/VSIP business case and targeted positions Email 2 of 2

Andrea,

Would 2 pm, 6/28/17, work?

Loretta L. Hunt
Branch Chief
Policy and Accountability Branch
Policy, Planning and Training Division
Office of Human Resources
U.S. EPA

Phone: (202) 564-6963 Email: hunt.loretta@epa.gov From: Grossman, Andrea L. EOP/OMB [mailto:Andrea L. Grossman@omb.eop.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 5:31 PM
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Cc: Hart, Debbi < Hart. Debbi @epa.gov >; Parker, Gary < parker.gary @epa.gov >; Schulman, Marvin

<<u>Schulman.Marvin@epa.gov>; McNeal, Detha <McNeal.Detha@epa.gov>; Kuhns, Jason <Kuhns.Jason@epa.gov>; Terris,</u>

Carol < Terris. Carol @epa.gov >; Hickey, Mike J. EOP/OMB < Michael Hickey@omb.eop.gov >; Mulligan, James S.

EOP/OMB <a href="mailto:Smulligan@omb.eop.gov">EOP/OMB <a href="mailto:S

Subject: RE: Update for EPA's VERA/VSIP business case and targeted positions Email 2 of 2

Loretta,

OMB would like to request a presentation from EPA on this VERA/VSIP proposal. We are hoping to get some insight into the broader strategy at play. This could also be an opportunity to informally ask some of our initial questions as we learn more about the package.

Would someone from EPA be available for a meeting this week (potentially Wednesday afternoon, recognizing the time sensitivity of the package)? I can reserve a conference room here at the New Executive Office Building and arrange for building clearance.

Thank you,

Andrea Grossman
Program Examiner, OMB Environment Branch
202-395-4756

From: Hunt, Loretta [mailto:Hunt\_Loretta@epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, June 22, 2017 6:52 PM

To: Hickey, Mike J. EOP/OMB < Michael Hickey@omb.eop.gov>; Mahoney, Michael J < Mike.Mahoney@opm.gov>; Snowden, Gregory A < Gregory.Snowden@opm.gov>; Coleman, Darrell E < Darrell.Coleman@opm.gov>; Thornton, Cathryn < Cathryn.Thornton@opm.gov>; Butler, Monica < Monica.Butler@opm.gov>; Grossman, Andrea L. EOP/OMB < Andrea L. Grossman@omb.eop.gov>

Cc: Hart, Debbi < Hart.Debbi@epa.gov>; Parker, Gary < parker.gary@epa.gov>; Schulman, Marvin < Schulman.Marvin@epa.gov>; McNeal, Detha < McNeal.Detha@epa.gov>; Kuhns, Jason < Kuhns.Jason@epa.gov> Subject: RE: Update for EPA's VERA/VSIP business case and targeted positions Email 2 of 2

The document attached replaces document #3 sent on 6/16/17.

Thanks.

Loretta L. Hunt
Branch Chief
Policy and Accountability Branch
Policy, Planning and Training Division
Office of Human Resources
U.S. EPA

Phone: (202) 564-6963 Email: hunt.loretta@epa.gov

From: Hunt, Loretta

Sent: Thursday, June 22, 2017 6:48 PM

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**Sent**: 6/29/2017 1:01:44 AM

**To**: Allen, Reginald [Allen.Reginald@epa.gov]

**Subject**: Re: Moving forward with V/V

Not yet. Sorry. Kin is tracking for me. I will check in with her when I get back

On Jun 28, 2017, at 8:53 PM, Allen, Reginald <allen.Reginald@epa.gov> wrote:

Donna

Did they finalize the group you created for HQ ARA equivalents? Can't find it on the global.

Please; Please; Please

Best Reggie

#### Reginald E. Allen, SES

Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office 202-564-0444 Direct 202-564-1029 Cell 202-306-2879

From: Vizian, Donna

Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 4:23 PM

To: 2017HQfirstassistants < 2017HQfirstassistants@epa.gov>; 2017Regionfirstassistants

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**Sent**: 6/27/2017 12:53:22 PM

To: Jackson, Ryan [jackson.ryan@epa.gov]; Greaves, Holly [greaves.holly@epa.gov]

CC: Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]
Subject: OMB request for meeting on V/V

Ryan and Holly, just letting you know that OMB has requested a meeting on our V/V proposal. They are seeking Wednesday afternoon. We are confirming the level of participation from OMB. If it is not staff level, would either of you like to participate? thanks

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Date: June 26, 2017 at 5:46:13 PM EDT

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From: Vizian, Donna [Vizian.Donna@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 4/6/2017 2:29:24 PM

To: Cooper, Marian [Cooper.Marian@epa.gov]

Subject: Re: V/V Talkers

It's in my mail. He did them yesterday

On Apr 6, 2017, at 7:16 AM, Cooper, Marian < Cooper. Marian@epa.gov> wrote:

So – do you have any sense when Barry will have his V/V talkers done? Thanks

Marian Pechmann Cooper Chief of Staff Office of Administration and Resources Management William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building-NORTH (3330) Washington, DC 20460 office number -- 202 564-0620 office fax -- 202 564-0233

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**Sent**: 6/27/2017 12:00:00 PM

To: Reinhold, Mark D [Mark.Reinhold@opm.gov]

Subject: Re: Update for EPA's VERA/VSIP business case and targeted positions Email 2 of 2

Thanks. I think we are visiting them tomorrow.

On Jun 27, 2017, at 6:44 AM, Reinhold, Mark D < Mark Reinhold@opm.gov > wrote:

Hi Donna - will see what we can find out

- Mark

On Jun 26, 2017, at 5:59 PM, Vizian, Donna < <u>Vizian. Donna@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

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**Sent**: 6/29/2017 12:45:37 AM

To: Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Moving forward with V/V

They were fine. Hickey was not there. I think we will get approval by the end of next week.

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**Sent**: 4/17/2017 3:20:40 PM

To: Flynn, Mike [Flynn.Mike@epa.gov]

Subject: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Attachments:

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Importance: High

Mike – the checklist was modified based on an OMB comment. Replaced it, basically so I don't forget when I turn it around ☺

From: Vizian, Donna

**Sent:** Monday, April 17, 2017 9:56 AM **To:** Flynn, Mike <Flynn.Mike@epa.gov>

Subject: EPA Workforce Reshaping Information

Importance: High

Hi Mike – I intend to send this after you send your email. The pdfs are the OPM guides – no need to review.

HI Everyone,

Following up on Mike's message, attached is the material to guide you through your workforce reshaping submission. As we agreed, the first step will be for each NPM to work with the lead region to draft a proposal for their programs where appropriate. The submission should be no more than one page and sent to Debbi Hart with a copy to me by May 5<sup>th</sup>. OARM will compile this information and schedule a meeting for us to discuss. This does not prohibit a reshaping that is specific to your office.

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Should you have questions, please contact me at (202) 564-4600 or Linda Gray, director, Office of Human Resources, at (202) 564-4606. Please have your staff contact Debbi Hart or Loretta Hunt.

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**Cc:** Reeder, John[Reeder.John@epa.gov]; Lesperance, Twanna[Lesperance.Twanna@epa.gov]

From: Vizian, Donna

**Sent:** Fri 7/14/2017 6:23:00 PM

Subject: RE: Hiring Request for Office of Multi-Media

Thanks Reggie.

From: Allen, Reginald

**Sent:** Friday, July 14, 2017 2:16 PM

To: Vizian, Donna < Vizian. Donna@epa.gov>

Cc: Reeder, John < Reeder. John@epa.gov>; Lesperance, Twanna

<Lesperance.Twanna@epa.gov>

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Donna

Thanks for considering this and yes they do have the vacancies and FTE to full those positions. The only overlap is the series, the positions and PDs are very different than anything they are offering in VERA/VSIP pool.

The 1001 series "General Arts and Information" has many different jobs like all series. The ones offered in this VERA/VSIP are 4 x Web Communication Specialists (3xGS13 and 1xGS15) and one communications specialist (GS14), these are focused on social media.

The requested position are the same series but very different positions/PD -- Motion Graphics and Video Production Specialist (GS-1001-14) and a Multimedia Production Specialist (GS-1001-13) to do videography, photography and graphic animation in support of the Administrator while traveling.

As an aside the political leadership in OP want video and photo support for the Administrator all the time and at present they cannot fill all the requirements with the Administrator extensive travel schedule – these folks will help that effort.

Best

Reggie

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Cell Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

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**Sent:** Thursday, July 13, 2017 3:49 PM

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